



## Public Meetings on EEE and Mosquito Control Set for November

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BURLINGTON – Health Commissioner Harry Chen, MD and experts from the Health Department and the Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets will discuss Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and mosquito control at three informational meetings this month:

- Nov. 15 6-8 pm Whiting Town Hall
- Nov. 28 7-9 pm Otter Valley High School, Brandon
- Nov. 29 7-9 pm Sudbury Town Hall

EEE and West Nile virus are serious infectious diseases transmitted by the bite of infected mosquitoes. This summer, EEE was detected in mosquitoes for the first time in Vermont in Brandon and Whiting, and two people died from the disease.

At each meeting, health and agriculture officials will review surveillance data, actions taken to control mosquitoes in 2012 – including targeted aerial spraying – and plans in progress for tracking and control in 2013:

- EEE in Vermont what we know and don't know from the data
- Surveillance methods for tracking mosquitoes, human and animal illness
- Response information sharing, possible ground/aerial spraying
- Questions & Answers

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